

# **Citizens Advisory Committee**

## **Meeting Summary**

**April 3, 2014**

**Committee Members Present:** Wendell Williams, Patrick Smith, Bonnie Chu,  
Ylonda Dickerson, Nancy Brune, Taurus Duncan  
Vida Lin

**Committee Members Absent:** Esther Langston, Dean Ishman, Jackie Seip,  
Suzanne Dessaints, Lavonne Lewis

**Facilitator:** Vacant

**Clark County Staff Present:** Tim Burch, Bobby Gordon, Gina Olivares and Deneen James

**I. Call to Order**

- By Wendell Williams at 11:40a.m.

**II. Introduction of All Members**

**III. Public Comment:** None.

**IV. Approval of October, December and February Meeting Summaries**

- Approved

**V. Announcements from Members/Social Service Staff**

- Ylonda Dickerson – The Health Food Fair of Las Vegas will be held on April 12, 2014 from 11a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Clark County Amphitheater, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway.

The Senior Safety Conference will be held on April 16, 2014 at 10:00a.m. to 2p.m. at 908 Weaver Street. All seniors are invited to attend. Safety information is welcome.

**VI. Working Groups Update:**

- Wendell Williams – Discussion concerning the lack of Behavior Health Care providers/services in the community.

Wendell invited Joseph Dakuras with Advanced Behavioral Care and Terri Brooks with Nevada Behavioral Center to share some information about their programs. Advanced Behavioral Care and Nevada Behavioral Center work partner to provide services to clients. The centers are dedicated to helping individuals overcome challenges in order to achieve a meaningful and fulfilling lifestyle with their families and extended community. The clinical services provided are therapy, behavioral health modifications, clinical assessments, etc. Both agencies are interested in collaborating with Social Service to provide assistance to those in need of Behavioral Health Services.

**VII. Department Update:** Tim Burch

**Budget:**

- Property tax up 1%
- Budgeted flat for FY2015
  - County still carrying part of funded programs
  - Regional Homeless
  - HHA/AHC
- 2-year transition
- All Medical funds for Medicaid matching

**Planning:**

- 2-day workshop
  - Results-based Conversation model
  - 35 staff with vertical and horizontal representation across the department
- 4 Key Areas
  - Coordinated Assessment and Referral
  - Expanded Resources
  - Resource Development
  - Staff Development

**Medical:**

- Over 1,000 Medicaid applications submitted
- Stepped-down MAS issuance
  - Rx co-pay assist only after 3/31/14
  - Ending on 6/31/14
  - Affects approximately 35 clients
- Medicaid enrollment and Medical Homes
  - Built in to community contracts

**Trending:**

- HEARTH Act
  - Mandates system-wide coordinated intake and assessment
  - End Veteran homelessness by 2015
  - End Chronic homelessness by 2016
- Mental Health
  - CBHW will recommend localization of Mental Health

**VIII. Public Comment:** None

**IX. Adjournment:** 01:00pm

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 5, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. at the Clark County Social Service office located at 1600 Pinto Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada.